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A Tale of Real Life, or a Real Lively Tale.

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A story I'll tell you as well as I can:
In Paw Paw lives a wonderful man,
And he keeps a store on the safest plan
Of selling for cash, and they call him Van,
And a wonderful man is Van Auker.

His stock is large, as well as his store,
And he keeps of clerks some less than a score.
And his name is big letters is over the door,
And a stream of customers constantly pour
Right into the store of Van Auker.

If you take a walk down the street,
Most every man you chance to meet,
Will never stop a friend to greet,
But says "I've sold my pork and wheat,
And am going to the store of Van Auker."

His goods are selected with greatest care,
With an eye to the beauty as well as the wear,
And he sells them so cheap that people stare,
And cry "I run! I do declare!
That's a very cheap store of Van Auker."

His teas, and coffees, and sugars, and such,
Are kept for the poor as well as the rich,
And every one stares, and hoots and cry "which!"
When they tell them the price so low is the rich
At which they sell at Van Auker's.

His boots are the best, both calf and kip,
And his stogies are made to strike from the hip,
They're a "big thing on ice," for they never slip,
And they're warranted never to "ravel or rip,"
And they sell them cheap at Van Auker's.

Of ladies' shoes there never could be
A finer lot, just call and see;
Some low in style, as well as the fee,
And some come half way up to the—
A modest man is Van Auker.

He keeps the best hats, caps and furs,
There is where my wife bought hers;
Like a "Digger Injun" in Mexican spurs,
She struts about in her bran new furs,
That she bought so cheap at Van Auker's.

Fine ribbons, and laces, and things like these,
He keeps for the ladies, which soon as one sees
She buys, or goes straight home to tease
Her husband to buy, with "do, now, please!
It's so nice and so cheap at Van Auker's."

His ready-made clothing, coats, vests and pants
Are just the thing to suit the gallants;
So bring on your cousins, uncles and aunts,
They'll sure find something to suit their wants.
At the lowest price at Van Auker's.

The best is always the cheapest to buy,
So before you lay in your full supply,
Just call around and give Van a try,
And if you buy once you'll always buy
Your goods at the store of Van Auker.

Then send the news on every gale,
'Twill surely stop the doleful wail
Of high prices; at least "so runs my tale,"
Which is to be continued without fail,
And so is the store of Van Auker.

Good Brown and Bleached Sheetings from 8
to 10 cents at Van Auker's.
Nice Dress Goods at 20c worth 40c at Van
Auker's.

While passing up Main street, a few days since, we were accosted by our Teutonic friend, Hans, who probably noticed that we were not dressed in the height of fashion, with: "You wants to buy a goat?" We answered, "No!" Wants to buy a west? "No!" Want to buy a pair of bants? "Not knowing what he was driving at, at last we answered, "yes." "Go mit the store of Mr. Van Aukenes, he vill give you goot goots, and sell 'em so sheep doo, all the viles, don't it." Van knows the value of advertising.

Van Auker is bound not to be undersold, and will convince the most sceptical of the fact, by calling at his store.

Van Auker's store is now filled from cellar to roof with the latest and most desirable styles of Staple and Fancy Dry Goods Hats, Caps, Boots and Shoes, all of which must and will be sold at Great Bargains. Step Along! Step Along!

Van has got a Coat, a Vest, and a pair of Pants—all Ready Made—for every Man and Boy in Van Buren County—while Mack is ready to give the rest of the State "particular fits."

Van has got Cloths and Cassimeres for all classes. He can meet the wants of all—from the "Broadway Swell" to the Plow Boy, who delights in his suit of "Home-spun."

Van has all the New Styles of Cloakings and Sackings for the Ladies. A large invoice just arrived.

Van Auker has the Celebrated Alexandre and Seamless Kid Gloves—in all colors. Ladies take heed.

Van says that those Teas are direct from Japan, being but six weeks on the road. We don't know but Van has been there to buy them, as he was seen going that way a few days since, he is at home now however, looking hale and hearty. If he did go his trip agreed with him.

Just as we go to press, load after load of Dry Goods are going past, each box bearing the name, in big letters, of A. Van Auker. Van thought he would have to put up another store, but "Jim," "Zan," and "Jud," keep rushing them off at such a sacrifice, that he can not afford to build before we have a "spell of weather." Then he will undoubtedly do something.

PARIS FIRED UPON!

Tremendous Conflagration!

Occupation of the City by the Insurgents.

PAW PAW IN A BLAZE OF EXCITEMENT!

Martial Law Declared!

VAN AUKEN

OCCUPIES THE TOWN WITH

\$30,000 WORTH OF DRY GOODS!

And More Constantly Arriving.

THE RUSH TREMENDOUS!

A Great Line of Dress Goods,

ALL OF THE LATEST STYLES AND NOVELTIES—Just being Opened

200 pieces Choice Styles Cochecho, and Merrimac Prints

100 pieces Bleached Sheetings, 10 to 15c per yard.

10 bales Sheetings from 8 to 10c per yard.

10 pieces LONSDALE SHEETINGS only 25c per yard

20 dozen COTTON HOSE only 10c per pair.

30 dozen HALF HOSE, only 12 1-2c per pair.

25 doz. GLOVES, from 10 to 25c.

15 doz Alexandre and Seamless Kid Gloves, all colors

10 doz. CORSETS, ONLY 70 CENTS.

A 30-SPRING HOOP SKIRT FOR FIFTY CENTS.

WHITE GOODS, CURTAIN LACES, LACE EDGINGS,
EMBROIDERIES, INSERTINGS, ETC., ETC.,
A Large Lot Just Received.

NEW STYLES OF LADIES CLOAKINGS

Just Arrived—100 Pieces New Styles

CLOTHS AND CASSIMERES,

Diagonal Coatings in all Colors---All the Rage.

A SPLENDID LINE OF

VELVET, SILK, DUCK & MARSAILLES VESTINGS.

Everything in Gents Furnishing Goods, all the latest patterns

Call Early and leave your Orders for Clothes as
MACK IS OVERRUN WITH BUSINESS

Large Invoice of Hats & Caps

ALL THE EXTRAS.
SPRING STYLES OF SILK HATS,
20 per cent. Lower than Last Season.

We have just received

A Large Line of Boots & Shoes

Directly from the Manufacturers, and we know we can Save our Customers
from 15 to 20 per cent. and give them Better Goods than has ever
been offered in the County.

Side Lace Gaiters,

Nilsson and Croquet Slippers,

Every Lady Should Have A Pair.

A Fine Line of Staple Groceries

Always on Hand.

New Invoice of Fresh Teas

Less than Six Weeks from Japan.

We shall be Daily adding to our immense Stock and mean to make it
second to none west of Detroit.

Special Inducement:

We will send any person, trading a bill of \$20 with us, a copy of the
TRUE NORTHERNER 6 Months Gratis.
Very Respectfully,
A. VAN AUKEN.

The Largest and Finest Stock of HATS and CAPS, ever brought into Van Buren County. All the Latest and Nobbiest Styles just opened.

Van Auker has got Boots and Shoes, Slippers and Gaiters, enough for the whole County.

LADIES DRESS GOODS, ALL QUALITIES AND PRICES.

A Large Lot of Cloths and Cassimeres in all the Desirable Styles and Colors, just opened.

VAN AUKEN has just received the Largest Stock of Spring and Summer Styles of READY MADE CLOTHING ever brought to this Market.